

(b) if so, the number of industries belonging to big business houses and big foreign companies in the country which have launched the production units under this industry by March, 2006?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAI): (a) and (b) As per available data, there has been a robust growth in both the registered and un-registered manufacturing sector of food processing industries (FPI) over the previous three years ending March 2004. Domestic product from manufacturing food products, beverages etc. in registered sector has grown from Rs. 15742 crore in 2000-01 to Rs. 19086 in 2003-04 and that in unregistered sector it has grown from Rs. 12075 crore to Rs. 15540 crore during the same period. There is however, no specific classification of big business houses in the data maintained by the Government. However, top 20 foreign companies have invested in India an amount of Rs. 1711.22 crores (US \$36.837 crore) in the FPI sector during the period from January 2000 to March 2006.

Financial assistance for cold storage

2728. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of financial assistance provided for setting up cold storage under various schemes;

(b) the amount spent on these schemes during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) whether Government have any proposal to review these schemes under the Eleventh Five Year Plan period to increase allocation of funds; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAI): (a) to (d) The Ministry of Food Processing Industries, under its plan scheme for Infrastructure Development provides financial assistance in the form of grant in aid to various implementing agencies upto 25% of the cost of plant & machinery and technical civil works subject to a maximum of Rs. 50 lakhs in general areas and up to 33.33% in difficult areas subject to

a maximum of Rs. 75 lakhs for Cold Storages for non-horticulture produce and special type of cold storage with controlled atmosphere/modified atmosphere facility to all implementing agencies. A statement showing financial assistance released during the last three years, state-wise, for setting up cold storages under component - Integrated Cold Chain Facilities, is enclosed (see below). Cold storages, which are an integral part of processing units or part of common facilities in Food Parks are also assisted. As a part of the exercise for finalization of XI Five Year Plan, review/restructuring of present schemes including increased allocation of funds is under discussion with Planning Commission.

Statement

State-wise details of financial assistance scheme for setting up cold storages during last three years

Sl. No.	State	Financial assistance released (Rs. in Lakhs)		
		2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
1.	Andhra Pradesh	-	3.39	3.39
2.	Delhi	-	-	37.50
3.	Gujarat	-	3.40	22.075
4.	Haryana	-	14.345	-
5.	Maharashtra	-	-	75.00
6.	Uttar Pradesh	-	-	4.527
TOTAL		-	21.135	142.492

Grants to FPIs

†2729. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have implemented the scheme to provide grant to the food processing industries;

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